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### **Clark County receives The Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting.**

Vancouver, WA –The Clark County Auditor's office announced today that the Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting has been awarded to Clark County by the Government Finance Officers Association of the United States and Canada (GFOA) for its comprehensive annual financial report for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2001 (CAFR). The Certificate of Achievement is the highest form of recognition in the area of governmental accounting and financial reporting, and its attainment represents a significant accomplishment by a government and its management. This is the twenty-first consecutive year Clark County has received this award for its financial reporting.

An award of Financial Reporting Achievement has been presented to Mary Zieman, Financial Services Manager and Sandra Barnes, Senior Management Analyst in the Auditor's office who were primarily responsible for preparing the award-winning CAFR. Greg Kimsey, County Auditor, said, "I'm very proud of Mary, Sandra, and the Financial Services staff's commitment to providing this valuable information to the public."

Clark County's CAFR has been judged by an impartial panel to meet the high standards of the program including demonstrating a constructive "spirit of full disclosure" to clearly communicate its financial story and motivate potential users and user groups to read the CAFR.

The GFOA is a nonprofit professional association serving approximately 14,000 government finance professionals with offices in Chicago, Illinois, and Washington, D.C.

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